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THE WEEK.

(Dun's Review).

With the outlook for the principal

rops increasingly bright, with a con-

tinuance of activity in iron and steel

and with this week an advance in

opper and a widening demand for

all supplies of dry goods, the trade

situation maintains its favorable po-

sition. Inasmuch as the harvests are

the basis of national prosperity, the

generally excellent crop advices con-

tribute the principal development.

With the disturbing tariff question

soon to be out of the way, and with

rops that give promise of satisfac-

tory dimensions and of an aggregat-

ed hundred of millions of dollars

a excess of the best previous rec-

ord, business confidence is developing

rapidly, although it is noticeable that

enterprise is not yet outrunning con-

servatism in buying for the distant

future. The railroads are still making

etter returns, their earnings for the

first two weeks of July being 4.4 per

cent. larger than last year and 3.4

er cent. under 1907. It is note-

orthy, also, that the railway supply

concerns are more and more ex-

perencing the benefits of the improved

osition of the transportation com-

panies. Bank clearings aggregate

3.3 per cent. larger than in 1908 and

0.7 per cent. better than in 1906 in

ew York City, while outside of the

financial center the record is 14.7 per

cent over 1908 and 10.4 per cent over 1906. The area of improvement extends over nearly every section of the country, and is all the more notable because this is mid-summer with the tariff still in the process of adjustment and the principal crops still to be harvested. The foreign commerce of New York in the latest week aggregated \$29,744,930, which is \$7,346,957 in excess of 1908 and only \$447,090 less than in 1907. While imports continue large in anticipation of the change of the tariff, the best record of the week, as compared with the last two years, is in exports, which show large gains.

EL CAMINO REAL.

The automobile trip to Mora made Sunday by Governor Curry and some others who are interested in the good roads movement should be productive of beneficial results. While all the roads in San Miguel and Mora counties should be put in good condition and kept that way, more may be said in favor of spending large energy on the road between Las Vegas and Mora than in favor of any other.

The purpose of a road is to provide a passage way for vehicles. The road that is the passageway for the greatest number of vehicles is the road that should have the greatest care and attention. More vehicles pass over the Mora road than over any other thirty miles of overland road in this territory. And the great majority of these vehicles are heavily laden with lumber, ties and farm products of all kinds. The annual output of the fertile Mora and Cebolla valleys is enormous. And this is in spite of the fact that the route is at times all but impassable.

A section of the Camino Real extending from here to Mora, from Mora to Ocate and thence northward would work no disadvantage or hardship on the towns that are situated in close proximity to the railroad track, while it would be decidedly advantageous to the towns that are miles from railroad connections. Moreover, it would better the transportation facilities between the most thickly settled portions of Mora and San Miguel counties and would pass through a much more beautiful and fertile country than if it were to parallel the railroad.

Do You Want Riding Boots or Strong High Shoes for Camping?

We have them in black, tan, or Ox-blood leathers at

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Cheaper grades, black at \$2.50

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Common Sense Shoe Store
614 Douglas Avenue.

GALVESTON TRIUMPHANT.

(Courier-Journal.)

The sea wall built by Galveston nine years ago is now time-tested and storm-tested. The news that an assault was being made upon it by a tornado and a tidal wave aroused sympathy throughout the United States. The later news that the position of the city proved impregnable is the occasion of congratulations to Galveston. It is also cause for felicitation throughout America, but especially in the west, which Galveston, as a rapidly-growing seaport city, is a necessity.

The Galveston flood was costly in loss of life and property, but it served to show the indomitable spirit of a community that recognized the strategic value of the geographical position of the city and proposed to remain upon the ground and share the profits of development west of the Mississippi. The building of a sea wall and the re-building of Galveston constitute an epic in American annals. It is within the range of possibility, or even probability, that there will be as great, or perhaps greater, storms upon the Gulf. If Galveston's experience during the recent one demonstrated that there was need of any heightening or strengthening of the "ramparts," we may rest assured that the necessary additions to the fortifications will be made. While it is unfortunate that lives were lost at Tarpion Pier, it is satisfying to know that there is no likelihood of a second Galveston flood, with its accompanying horrors.

Mr. and Mrs. John Richardson, who had visited here several days, departed for their home in Denver this afternoon.

NEGLECT OF OFFICER

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been fired and other incidents leading up to and connected with the shooting, diagnosed the death of Baker as a case of suicide. The officer did not seem inclined to even listen to anything that would show the shooting was a cold blooded murder. Men trained in the duties of a policeman could easily have satisfied themselves whether it was suicide or murder by an examination of the dead man's clothes, for if powder burned, the supposition would point to suicide in the absence of evidence to the contrary. But Ward did not examine Baker's clothes where the bullet entered his breast. If he had he would have found that not the slightest trace of powder burns were visible.

Called It Suicide.

So far as can be learned Ward never made the least effort to look for the murderers. He said it was suicide and let it go at that. He did not even take the trouble to report the affair to his superior officer, Chief of Police Ben Coles. About 4 a. m. he met Merchant's Police Dennis and casually mentioned the fact to him, giving his version that it was a plain case of suicide. As for notifying Chief Coles, that did not enter his head, and that officer did not learn of the shooting until late the next morning, when he came downtown for the day about 7:30 o'clock. The sheriff's office did not hear of the shooting until Chief Coles reported it to the county officers.

Should Have Been Caught

There seems little doubt in the minds of many persons that had Ward immediately reported the mat-

A Reminder

If anticipating buying a gift of Silver, Cut Glass, China or Jewelry, remember we carry only the BEST.

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PROMINENT K. P. OFFICER PAYS VISIT TO CITY

Hon. Herman Shaffner, of San Francisco, Cal., grand-keeper of records and seal of Knights of Pythias, arrived in the city yesterday and resumed his trip homeward from the east on the California Limited this morning.

Mr. Shaffner was taken on an automobile ride around the city and vicinity yesterday by members of the fraternal order of which he is a high official and expressed himself as being well pleased with the sites selected for the National Pythian sanatorium and hospital in Las Vegas, on both sides of the river. He left here an enthusiastic supporter of Las Vegas in this and any other particulars to which his attention has been called.

FORMER VEGAS BANKER IS SERIOUSLY INJURED

Word was received in this city the latter part of last week that A. B. Smith, formerly cashier of the First National bank in this city, but now of Los Angeles, had sustained a very painful, if not serious injury on the seventeenth of this month.

Mr. Smith was stepping from a trolley car, when in some way he slipped and fell in such a manner as to either dislocate or break his hip joint. An X-ray has been used upon the injury, but it did not give satisfactory results, as its pictures were very clouded. It is expected that Mr. Smith will be bed-ridden for a number of weeks.

If you read it in The Optic it's so.

Cut Prices On Everything In The House

During The

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Boys' Wash Suits

A complete stock of sizes and prices in colored and white wash suits. Dress your boy in one of our cool suits.

\$3.75 Linen Suits.....	\$2.82
3.50 Linen Suits.....	2.63
2.50 Linen Suits.....	1.88
2.00 Galatea and Economy Linen Suits.....	1.50
1.75 Economy Linen Suits.....	1.32
1.50 Galatea Cloth Suits.....	1.13
1.25 Gingham Suits.....	.94
.85c Gingham Suits.....	.64c



This sale only lasts until the first day of August. We know that there are many people intending to call before this sale closes. Do not wait until it is too late. Our stock has been greatly reduced this month, but in order to make more room for the fall merchandise, which will soon begin to arrive, we are offering some values which we have never given before. We can save you money.

Don't Miss Getting Your Share Of The Money Saving Bargains

12½c Red Seal Gingham, these well known gingham will wash, now.....	11c	15c Silkalines, a very good assortment of patterns, in light, dark figures, and plain colors.....	11c
15c Tolle Du Nord Gingham, these are the best dress gingham made, now.....	12c	20c Economy Linen, plain blue, brown, tan white and cataban. Sale price.....	14c
10 Pieces Scotch Lawn, black and white, ground, colored figures, now.....	4½c	15c Cheviot Shirtings, made only for boys and men's shirts.....	11c
8½c Standard Calicoes, American and Simpkins prints, now.....	6½c	35c Plain and Fancy Ribbons, all silk Taffetas ribbons any color; No. 100. Sale price.....	25c
100 Pieces Manchester Percals, 36-inches wide. July Sale, price.....	12c	25c Plain and Fancy Ribbons, all silk Taffeta Ribbons, any shade; No. 60. Sale price.....	17½c
25 Pieces Percals, 36-inches wide, good patterns, sale price.....	10c yd.	35c Ribbed Corset Covers, plain white in sizes 5 to 6, now.....	25c
Amoskeag Apron Checks, blue, brown, green and black, ground with white patterns.....	6½c		

Special Prices

on

Ladies' Ready-to-Wear Apparel

Ladies' one-piece Jacket Suits in blue, tan, and gray, economy linen. Regular prices \$6.50, 7.50 and 8.50. Sale price.....\$5.00

\$10.50 and 11.50, Ladies' Jacket Suits, made from pure linen, in the natural color, gray, white and blue.....\$7.00

Handsome Covert Jackets, 28 inches long, good satin lining, neatly tailored. Regular values, \$4.50 to 6.50. Special Sale Price,.....\$3.99

One lot Ladies' Panama and Voile Skirts. This lot you will find all extra good values worth \$6.00, 6.50, and 7.50. Now.....\$4.75



Silk Values

65c China Silks, 27 in, sale price.....	49c
60c Silk and Linen, success silk.....	49c
\$1.25 Colored and Black Taffetas.....	98c
65c Spider Silks, 27 in.....	49c

Men's Straw Hats

50c Hats.....	35c
65c Hats.....	45c
75c Hats.....	50c
\$1.00 Hats.....	65c
1.25 Hats.....	85c
1.50 Hats.....	\$1.00
1.75 Hats.....	1.25

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Without exception we carry the most serviceable shoe in the city. We will be glad to name to you customer after customer of ours who wear our shoes for 7, 8 and 9 months.

How long do your shoes wear?	
\$4.00 Patent Colt Oxford, (like cut).....	\$3.60
3.50 Patent Colt Oxfords and Pumps.....	3.15
3.00 Patent Colt Oxford, Ties, 2.70	
3.00 Vici-kid Oxford, extra sole.....	2.70
2.70 Vici-kid Oxford, extra sole.....	2.49



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